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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for U.S. Forest Service, Green Mountain National Forest to allow The Conservation Fund to purchase a 2,738-acre parcel from a willing seller through the Land and Water Conservation Fund in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is the Green Mountain National Forest located at P.O. Box 220, Rutland, VT 22209.

\$3,500,000 in congressional support is needed to purchase the Taconic Gateway/Big Spruce parcel to preserve land and habitat in the Green Mountain National Forest and offer enhanced public recreation opportunities and support Vermont's outdoor recreation economy.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,



Peter Welch
Member of Congress